Preliminary Announcement and Call for Abstracts

SECOND PASSAIC RIVER SYMPOSIUM: PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES

October 13, 2006, Montclair State University Conference Center, Montclair, NJ Conference web site: www.csam.montclair.edu/ pri/symposium2006



Sponsored by the

Passaic River Institute of Montclair State University and the Hudson-Delaware Chapter, Society for Environmental Toxicology & Chemistry



The first Passaic River Symposium was held at Montclair State in 2004 (program and abstracts archived at www.csam.montclair.edu/pri/symposium2004), attracting over 200 participants to discuss activities in the Passaic River Basin. It is now time to reconvene those interested and active in the Basin to gauge what progress has been made in addressing problems in the Basin, what new efforts have been launched, and what new challenges we still face.

The "Lower Passaic River Restoration Project" will be prominently featured in the 2006 Symposium. Projects and issues in the upper River and tributary watersheds will also be examined.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts are sought for platform (oral) presentations and posters environmental issues within the Passaic River Basin and nearby areas.

Abstracts will be selected for presentation based on their technical and policy merit, currency and relevance. The conference committee may request persons submitting abstracts for platform presentations to exhibit a poster if all platform slots are filled. Platform presentation length will be 20 minutes, including questions. A book of abstracts will be distributed at the conference and placed on the conference website following the conference. All conference presenters are required to register for the conference

Below is a non-exclusive list of relevant topics:

- 1. Assessment of contaminated sediments in the lower Passaic River
- 2. Ecotoxicology
- 3. Hydrodynamics and sediment transport
- 4. Biological assessment
- 5. Ecological restoration
- 6. Combined Sewer Overflows
- 7. Recreational use of the River
- 8. Riverfront redevelopment
- 9. Water quality improvement
- 10. Flood control and damage mitigation
- 11. Environmental education and community outreach
- 12. Water supply assessment and protection
- 13. Contaminated site assessment, remediation and redevelopment

Abstract format:

12 pt font, single-spaced, 1-inch margins

TITLE IN ALL CAPS CENTERED

Firstname M. Lastname(1), Firstname M. Lastname(1,2), and Firstname M. Lastname (3)

- (1) Affiliation, address, phone, fax, email, website
- (2) Affiliation, address, phone, fax, email, website
- (3) Affiliation, address, phone, fax, email, website

Body of abstract, 500 words maximum

Indicate format preference: Platform, Poster or either

Indicate if you are willing to develop a full paper intended for publication as a special issue of a journal or a stand-alone volume.

Schedule

Abstract submittal deadline: July 14, 2006

Notification of acceptance: On or about August 18, 2006

Revised abstract (if required) submittal deadline: September 15, 2006

Submission procedure

E-mail abstracts in MS Word, RTF, HTML or PDF format to kirk.barrett@montclair.edu.

Questions regarding abstract submission should be directed to the conference co-chair, Dr. Kirk R. Barrett, Director, Passaic River Institute, Montclair State University, phone: 973-655-7117 fax: 973-655-6810 e-mail: kirk.barrett@montclair.edu.

CONFERENCE LOCATION

The conference will be held at the new Conference Center at Montclair State University on the 7th floor of the new University Hall. It's a first-class hotel-style conference center with a spectacular panoramic view of the Manhattan skyline. See www.montclair.edu/conferencecenter

CALL FOR EXHIBITORS

We invite private companies, government agencies, non-profit organizations and academic organizations to apply to exhibit at the conference. If your organization is interested, contact Dr. Kirk Barrett. Exhibits should be appropriate for the symposium topic, as judged by the symposium organizers. Space is limited.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

General questions about the conference can be directed to the co-chairs Dr. Barrett or Ms. Lisa A. Baron, (HDC-SETAC Secretary), Project Manager, Office of Maritime Resources/NJDOT, Trenton, NJ, 609-530-4779, fax: 609-530-4860, lisa.baron@dot.state.nj.us.